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FOR KATZ

E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: EMIN GW

SUBJECT: STEEL VRA

REF: BRUSSELS 1293

1. SCHMITGES RECONFIRMED THE MAIN POINTS CONTAINED IN THE CONSULATE' S TELEGRAM 268. HE STATED THAT BY FAR THE MOST IMPORTANT SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION AT THE APRIL 5 MEETING IN LONDON WOULD BE AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO SUSPEND THE VRA TEMPORARILY. IT WAS SCHMITGES' SINCERE HOPE THAT BY THE TIME OF THE MEETING THE USG WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE CLUB WITH SOME SORT OF ASSURANCE, PREFERABLY IN WRITING, THAT STEPS HAD ALREADY BEEN TAKEN TO SEEK LEISLATION. IN THE EVENT THAT USG CANNOT GIVE AN ASSURANCE AT THAT TIME, SCHMITGES BELIEVES THAT THE EUROPEAN CLUB MAY DECIDE ON A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TEMPORARY SUSPENSION.

2. SCHMITGES STATED THAT THE KRUPP LAWYER SUPPORTED THE GERMAN POSITION OF WANTING TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS AT THE APRIL 5 MEETING. HE ADDED THAT THE LAWYERS FOR THE BRITISH STEEL CORP. WERE OPPOSED TO WAITING AND WOULD HAVE DESIRED A TEMPORARY SUSPENSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARIS MEETING.

3. IN SCHMITGES' OPINION, NOTHING OF ANY CONSEQUENCE WILL HAPPEN ON THE SUBJECT PRIOR TO THE LONDON MEETING.  
HENNEMEYER

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